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IN SPECIAL SESSION.

Much Business Transacted by the Fiscal Court.

Dulin and Dillman Allowed \$125 Each.--No Action Taken in the Turnpike Matter.

The fiscal court met in extra session yesterday morning pursuant to a call of the county judge. The object of the session was to consider the question of appropriating money from the fund of the county for the construction of a turnpike road from the city of Hopkinsville to the Davis coal mines. The members were soon satisfied that they had no legal right to make such an appropriation without a petition signed by twenty per cent of the legal voters of the county calling for an election to decide the matter.

Having reached this conclusion after some discussion, the magistrates addressed themselves to other matters.

County Clerk John P. Prowse and Marcellus Brown were allowed \$36 each for balancing and correcting the assessor's books.

On motion of Squire Long, the order appropriating \$2,500 each for road work in the northern and southern sections of the county, was made payable out of funds on hand instead of out of the levy for 1898 as the original order provided.

It was ordered that the road graders cease operations after Oct. 1, until further orders. This was done that the roads may have time to settle and become beaten.

The Cumberland Telephone and Telegraph Company was allowed the right to erect poles and string wires on public roads from Pembroke to Elmo, and from Hopkinsville to Lafayette.

The county attorney was appointed by the court to settle with the late sheriff and report to the fiscal court at its October term.

On motion of T. H. Major it was ordered that \$125 each be paid to J. M. Dulin and J. H. Dillman, former supervisors of roads for the county, for their services from Jan. 15 to April 15, 1898. The order carried with it the proviso that Dulin and Dillman should accept the amount in full settlement of all claims against Christian county for services as such road supervisors, and by said acceptance each shall waive all claim to said offices of supervisors for remainder of their terms of office.

To the above motion Squire Parker offered a substitute to the effect that the above mentioned sums be deducted from the salaries of J. K. Major and J. H. Durham, who were elected by the Republican fiscal court on Jan. 4. This substitute was debated at length, and was finally defeated, the vote standing 4 ayes, and 4 nays, and being a tie was defeated by the vote of judge Cansler. Squire Helsley voted with the three Democratic justices.

The vote then came up on the original motion of Squire Major and resulted in the passage of the motion by 5 to 3.

The effect of this decidedly partisan action of the Republican members is to take from the pockets of the taxpayers of the county \$250. In other words they have paid Dulin and Dillman \$250 for actual services rendered and made Durham and Major a present of a similar amount.

Messrs. Dulin and Dillman agreed to the provisions of the order.

The county judge was ordered to settle an account with the estate of the late John Moayan for the rent of the armory from April 1 to June 1, 1898.

The justices then allowed themselves \$1 each for their day's work.

BRAN DANCE AT GRACEY.

Delightful Evening at Hospitable Home of Squire H. B. Clark.

The young people of the Gracey neighborhood were entertained at the residence of Squire H. B. Clark last night with a bran dance. All of the society people of that vicinity were present and a more delightful gathering under happier auspices has not been known in years.

An excellent orchestra discoursed sweet music. Not the least interesting feature of the evening was the elegant supper. Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Clark and Mr. John J. Reed, were among those who attended from this city.

KENTUCKY CROP REPORT.

Condition of the Mowing Wheat Crops June 1, 1898.

Replies were received this month from 154 correspondents representing 104 counties.

Wheat.

For the benefit of the farmers of Kentucky and others interested, a brief review of the condition of the wheat crop in the principal wheat-growing State, is presented. To use the data compiled by the various State bureaus would delay this report longer than is desirable, and statements here made are based upon information containing in the U. S. Climate and Crop Service for those States.

In the States of Ohio, Indiana, Michigan and Illinois every indication points to a full crop on an average acreage. No damage whatever is reported in these States with the exception of injury from local rain and wind in the State of Illinois. In Iowa the crop of winter wheat has attained a very rank growth, and apprehension that the crop will fall or badly lodge is felt. The rain fall has been excessive, and crop suffered from overflow and storms and is in danger of being attacked by rust. The spring wheat crop of Iowa is very promising at this stage.

In Nebraska, Kansas and Missouri the crop is very rank in growth and promises a full yield. The presence of chinch bugs is noted in these States, but no damage had so far resulted. Spring wheat in Nebraska starts with indications favorable for a large yield and the acreage is largely increased.

In Kentucky the crop has improved over the excellent condition shown on May 1st and now shows an average condition for the State of 104, a gain of three points during May. On June 1, 1897, the condition was 93, on June 1, 1896, the condition was 61.

The Central Section continues to show the highest average condition, 107, as against 105 on May 1st. Correspondents report the crop unusually fine heads, good length and well filled. In a number of counties lying north of a line drawn from Franklin county to Rowan county the rainfall has been deficient during May, and in these counties the crop is beginning to show the effects of drouth. An early harvest is indicated.

In the Western Section the condition averages 102, a gain of one point during May. Here the rain-falls have been excessive throughout May, and reports of rust on blades and damage otherwise from excessive moisture are not infrequent. In Christian county the crop is reported "badly rusted." Some fly is noted in Larue county.

In the Southeastern Section the condition in those counties where wheat is grown, averages 103, a gain in several points during May.

Marriage Licenses.

Licenses to wed were issued to two colored couples yesterday. They were Gray and Dora Baker; and Cora and Cora Man-

FLEET

Of Spanish Vessels Said to Be Hovering About Havana.

Preparing to Ignore Our Blockade and Sneak Into the Harbor.

Key West, June 9.—Special.—A spanish fleet has been sighted north of Cuba and naval officers are excited over the news, as 27,000 soldiers are now on the sea in transports liable to attack, with but little protection. A fleet may be sent to investigate. It is thought the ships are either the advance guard of the Cadiz squadron or a portion of Cervera's squadron that did not go to Santiago. The Spanish fleet consists of one first-class cruiser, two second-class cruisers and several torpedo boats.

He Denies That He Is Dead

Capt. Philip Reports Himself Alive.

Washington, D. C., June 9.—(Special.)—The Naval Department has received a dispatch from Capt. Philip, of the Texas, reported killed last Monday. He says he is alive and well.

Manilla Has Capitulated.---

Capital of the Philippines Falls.

London, June 9.—Special.—A report from Hong Kong says, the city of Manila has fallen into the hands of Gen. Aguinaldo, the rebel leader, who has been co-operating with Dewey.

Wild Rumor About Rodriguez.---

Reported Killed With All His Men.

Mobile, Ala., June 9.—Special.—It is reported here that Gen. Rodriguez and all the members of his expedition which left here a fortnight ago were killed in an attempt to land near Santiago.

To Far off Philippines.---

Merritt's Big Army Short of Ships.

San Francisco, Cal., June 9.—Special.—About 12,700 troops will go in the next Manila expeditions. Five more transports are needed to move them.

Green Squad Ordered Out---State

Troops Have Work at Home.

Louisville, June 9.—(Special.)—Col. R. T. Jacob's newly organized military company has received orders to go to Clay County, to protect the court during the Howard-Baker feud murder trials. The bloodiest clash in the history of the state is feared.

More Trouble for Spain.

An English Consul Sent Home.

St. Thomas, West Indies, June 9.—(Special.)—Walter Bett, Secretary of the British Consulate at San Juan, Porto Rico, is reported to have been given his passports and expelled by the Spanish, suspected of having furnished plans of the harbor mines to the Americans. He was previously imprisoned fifty-six hours.

Ordered To Move Out---

The Spanish Spies Must Leave Canada.

Montreal, Que., June 9.—Word has been received here from Ottawa that a messenger has left there with the notice of expulsion from Canada to Liet. Carranza and Senor DuBosc, recently attached to the Spanish

KILLED A RATTLESNAKE.

It Was Four Feet Long and Had Ten Buttons.--Found Near Gracey.

Mr. Robert Cox, a prominent citizen of the Gracey vicinity, while at work in a clover field near his house yesterday, came upon a huge rattlesnake.

Mr. Cox quickly dispatched the dangerous serpent and upon measurement it was found to be four feet long. There were buttons upon his tail indicating that it had been crawling and creeping about this earth for a decade. The snake is the largest of its species every reported to have been killed in this county.

EPIDEMIC OF WEDDINGS.

Three More Couples Hie Themselves to Clarksville.

In addition to three or four elopements already reported in the KENTUCKIAN this week, the following matrimonial items have been gathered up for today:

The Clarksville Times has this: There was a double wedding of Kentucky elopers at the Arlington Hotel at 9:30 o'clock last night, Rev. G. W. Shelton performing the ceremony. The parties were Mr. Robert Ewing and Miss Ida Hite, and Mr. Charles Oglesby and Miss Hettie Oglesby, all of Madisonville. The Cadiz Telephone tells of this one:

"Mr. John Fort and Miss Eula Minton, who lives about three miles north of town, eloped to Springfield, Tenn., last Saturday night, where they were married Sunday. They went by the way of Hopkinsville, and were accompanied by Mr. Jo Fort and Miss Flora Adams.

The youthfulness of both was the only objection on the part of their parents, the groom being twenty and the bride only fifteen.

They returned to the home of the bride Sunday afternoon, when they were, of course, forgiven. They will reside with the parents of the groom."

Mr. Jo Hoy Hopson, of Canton, and Miss Garvie Rawlins, of Cadiz, were married Wednesday, the 8th inst, at the Baptist church in Cadiz, Rev. I. N. Strother officiating. They will live at the groom's splendid country home near Canton.

Colored Camp Meeting.

The colored people are holding a camp meeting near the Little Walnut Grove Baptist church, on the Clarksville pike. The meetings began last night and will continue ten days. Rev. B. J. Garrott is conducting the meetings. The camp grounds are pleasantly arranged. The proceeds of the meeting, after the expenses are paid, will be turned over to the Little Walnut Grove Baptist church.

SUIT FOR \$20,000.

Widow of Carey Wallace Sues L. & N. For This Sum.

She Claims That His Death Was Due to Negligence and Carelessness of Agents.

It is not often that a suit of importance is filed in the circuit court during a term. Yesterday was an exception however.

The Louisville and Nashville railroad company was made defendant to an action for \$20,000 in damages. The plaintiff is Lucinda Wallace, widow and executrix of the late Carey Wallace, the aged colored man who was killed near the quarry several weeks ago.

The petition after reciting the facts that she was appointed executrix by order of the court and duly qualified sets up the death of Carey Wallace and charges it to the negligence of the defendant corporation. The petition alleges that the deceased was employed in getting out and heaving rock ballast at a quarry owned by the defendant. On the day of his death, as she avers, there came a heavy rain and wind storm and the defendant took shelter under one of the empty cars which stood on the spur extending from the Main line to the quarry. This she says was often done by the employees at the quarry with the knowledge and consent of the defendant's agents.

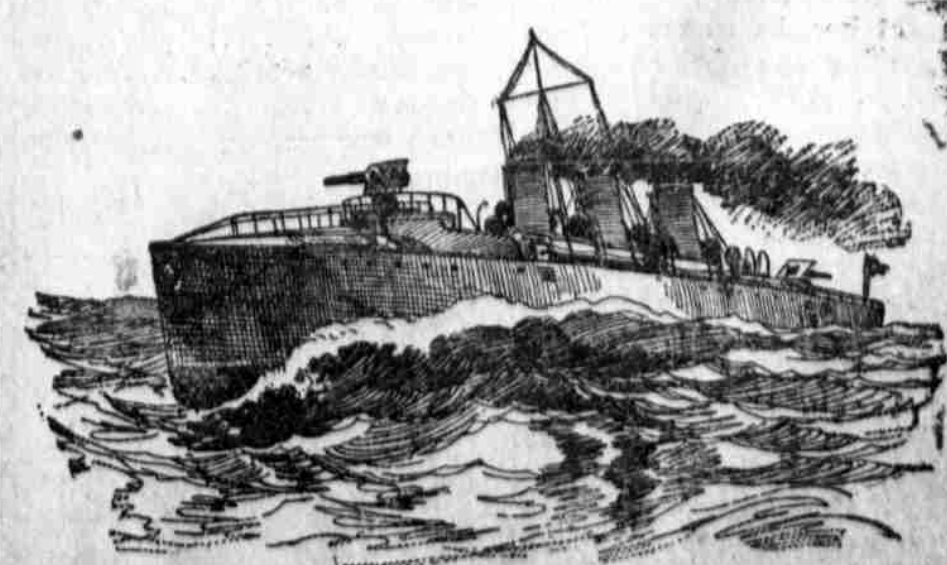
While sheltered under the car, the petition continues, a train of cars was pushed in upon the spur and driven with such force and violence against the car under which deceased had taken shelter as to run over him, mangle, crush and kill him.

Plaintiff says that the agents and employees of the defendant knew, or could have known of the perilous position of the deceased, and that they blew no whistle and made no signal to warn him of his danger. Therefore she thinks that he is entitled to \$20,000 by reason of defendant's negligence and carelessness.

A Youthful Thief.

Cleveland Hawkins, a colored boy thirteen years of age, was arrested by Chief Armstrong yesterday afternoon on a warrant sworn out by C. P. Nolen charging him with pilfering articles of merchandise from the latter's store on West Seventh street. The boy spent last night in the lockup and will be tried this morning.

Sunk While Trying to Enter Santiago Harbor.



TORPEDO BOAT DESTROYER TERROR.

The Terror of the Spanish navy is a small vessel, while the Terror of the United States navy is one of the very large craft. She belongs to that class from which much is expected in case of hostilities, but of which little is yet known positively—the torpedo boat destroyer. She is of 400 tons displacement, carries the usual small rapid fire guns and torpedo tubes and is manned by a crew of 73 men in charge of Commander M. de la Rocha. She is said to be one